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AIRCRAFT INSIGNIA  
NORTH VIETNAM

ANALYSIS OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] REVEALS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE INSIGNIA SEEN ON MIG AIRCRAFT IN NORTH VIETNAM. THE INSIGNIA IS DIFFERENT FROM THAT REPORTED FOR EITHER NORTH VIETNAM, NORTH KOREA, OR COMMUNIST CHINA.<sup>1</sup>

ANALYSIS OF THE [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPHY BY ISODENSITY TRACES WITH THREE TYPES OF PRESENTATIONS WERE INCONCLUSIVE DUE TO SEVERAL FACTORS, INCLUDING THE GRAIN PATTERN, LIGHT REFLECTIVITY DUE TO THE ATTITUDE OF THE AIRCRAFT, AND TO THE OVERALL CHANGE IN DENSITY TOWARDS THE EDGE OF THE PHOTOGRAPHY.

ANALYSIS OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS REVEAL THAT THE MIGS PHOTOGRAPHED AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD ON [REDACTED] AND AIRBORNE ON [REDACTED] HAVE A SPACE, DIFFERENT IN DENSITY AND/OR COLOR, BETWEEN THE CIRCLE AND THE BARS AS DEPICTED ON DRAWING NUMBER 1. PILOT REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE INSIGNIA IS RED AND YELLOW IN COMPOSITION, THEREFORE IT IS LIKELY THAT THE INSIGNIA CONTAINS A YELLOW OUTLINE FOR BOTH THE STAR AND THE BAR AS SHOWN IN DRAWING NUMBER 2. HOWEVER A YELLOW OUTLINE FOR ONLY THE STAR OR THE BARS AS SHOWN ON DRAWINGS 3 AND 4 CANNOT BE DISPROVED.

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THE DIA INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN OF 20 DECEMBER 1966  
REPORTED THAT THE INSIGNIA WAS POSSIBLY AS SHOWN IN DRAWING  
NUMBER 5 AND THAT DEBRIEFING OF PILOTS AFTER A MIG ENCOUNTER  
ON 5 NOVEMBER 1966 INDICATED THAT ONE OF THE MIG-21'S SHOT  
DOWN HAD AN INSIGNIA AS SHOWN ON DRAWING NUMBER 6.



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<sup>1</sup>MacDonald World Air Power Guide, William Green and  
Dennis Punnett, Doubleday, Garden City, N.Y.  
1963 Edition.

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